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- Organizational changes in the General Management of the Jackymov (N51/K60) Mines which were expected in the summer of 1949 have only recently been carried out. Ing. Simin, a Czech citizen, has been appointed general manager to replace Ing. Cmelak, who is to be transferred to Pribram (N50/L53). Ing. Razev, the Soviet general manager, and Gen. Volochov, the Soviet delegate for the entire mining area of Jachymov, will remain in their present positions. Ing. Grib, manager of the terrain expedition searching for uranium, has been reassigned as manager of geological research. He replaces Ing. Krasnikov, the will be transferred to the Deutsche Bismutgesellschaft in Samony. Ing. Cernysev, the was an adjutant to Gen. Cerkasov, will be appointed to the position left vacant by Grib.
- At the end of the summer of 1949, seven new mineral veins were discovered by the Geophysical Research Section in the region of Horni Slavkov (Schlaggenwald -N51/P68). Most of the newly discovered mineral veins were found on the surface and can therefore be easily extracted. The deposits contain such a high content of uranium ore that, according to Soviet standards, the new locations rank close to those of the Jackymov mines in importance. Porcelain clay has also been discovered in this region.
- Mechanization of mining has been started on a large scale in the mines of Roynost, Bratrstvi, and Svornost. Two-story mining cages for the transport of material, and special cages for the transport of personnel, have been installed. Shafts of a larger capacity and communication corridors among the different mines have been constructed. A communication corridor has just been completed between the Elias, Rovnost, Svormost, and Bratretvi mines. Another method called "kominkavo" is being experimented with in the mines of Roynost and Syornost. Since the construction of mining cages and the installation of machinery, production has been increased.
- German prisoners-of-war who have been working in the Jachymov area are being discharged and replaced by Czech political prisoners. About 10,000 political prisoners are estimated to be working in all the nines of this region.

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